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## WHAT I SAW AND HEARD.

I have but little respect for those colored men who are ever ready to condemn other colored men who may decline to be made a fool of by white men. I overheard a number of these fellows discussing the Langston-Mahone matters and most of them thought that Mr. Langston was at fault in demanding a cessation of hostilities on the part of Mr. Mahone as a condition of his entering the campaign. It does seem strange and most foolish to expect a colored gentleman to do what a white one will not do. They may all say what they will, but the fact remains that but for Mahone's action there would be no dispute about Langston's election, and that it is the duty of the committee to cease its opposition to him, otherwise as a self-respecting man he cannot go into the campaign, without acknowledging that he has no claim. Let us try to think as much of our own race as we do of the white. I am a Republican, but I was a man first.

The Episcopal Convention in N. York struck a snag when it came to the Negro question. The committee sent out to consider the advisability of drawing the color line, reported: "But the real and essential question which meets us at the fore-front of this whole matter, and which we think the church should determine before discussing plans and modes of procedure, is that first alluded to in this report, namely: Shall the church in its law of parochial or diocesan organizations, draw or recognize a line of distinction between its white and its colored members? We think this should not be done, and we therefore, for this reason alone and without reference to those founded on unconstitutionality or inexpediency, recommend that the canon be not adopted." It certainly is a most humiliating spectacle to see the great brains of that convention hesitating to give full recognition to their colored brothers in the Lord's service. Evidently the colored people will have to pray for the conversion of these people.

In pleasing contrast with the weak kneed action of those so-called Christian ministers, is that of the students of Harvard college. Our young friend, Clement Garrett Morgan, whom you all remember has been elected over a white classmate orator of the senior class. There was, of course, some opposition to him on account of his color, but it amounted to nothing against the overshadowing sentiment in his favor. That he is the most finished orator in the class is generally admitted. He won the Boylston prize for oratory last year, gaining thereby sixty dollars. The fame he then insured his election as class orator, the highest honor with in the gift of the class. An office for the filling of which not only oratory, but literary merit is required, all of which is possessed by our friend Morgan. He commands the respect and good wishes of his classmates, and is considered by the Faculty of Harvard as one of the University's most promising students. This certainly is glorious news of which we may all feel proud, and to think he is only twenty-three. Tell everybody about it.

Gov. Hill, of New York, is to my mind one of the greatest demagogues alive. Read his speeches during his late Southern tour in which he tells the rebels that the noble cause they fought for was lost to them, because of "a force superior in numbers and resources," but not a word is said of bravery. It is men like Hill, who after a two weeks sojourn in the South will return and tell the northern people that they saw no lynching and hence there is nothing but peace and harmony reigning. After speaking of a number of fancied issues upon which the South is solid, he said: "Of such solidarity I am not afraid. I see no dangers in such unity as springs from the noblest motives and subserves the most exalted patriotism." The shooting of inoffensive men and women, depriving them of the right to cast their ballots for the men of their choice and subjecting them to the treatment of brutes, is in the opinion of Hill, "exalted patriotism." The distorting of the truth by cowards and knaves for the purpose of getting office and at the

expense of others, will some day come home to these fellows. The time is not distant when the Negroes will be called on to help save this nation from a greater foe than has yet assailed it. It will then be for us to say who we shall aid. In the meantime, we are jotting down on the tablets of our memories what is being done to us.

KING MARLEAUX.

## WAR OF RACES IN HAWAII WITH THE REVOLUTION IN HONOLULU.

HONOLULU, SEPT. 27, 1889.  
MR. C. C. MORENO.

WASHINGTON, D. C.

DEAR SIR:

After writing my answer to yours of Aug. 29, last, per "Alameda", I again take the opportunity of writing a further and an extended answer than my last. It was with the most profound interest and eagerness that I read and devoured your private letter as well as your open published in the "Washington Bee."

The sentiments you express in your private letter about our mutual friend, Mr. R. W. Wilcox (as also of Mr. R. N. Boyd.) I fully agree, as I cannot help but sympathize with him in his adversity, also his perplexity.

In reference to Mr. Claus Spreckles in your open letter, I must say he is not a friend of the missionaries nor are they his, but he has evidently lost a good deal of his influence here, and to day he has not the same influence as he formally had. I mean, with the King and Government. The missionaries have beaten him politically, but not commercially.

Several persons, haoles, (whites) have already spoken to me about your open letter, some favoring your sentiments and others not at all. One of them, Col. W. F. Allen asked me if you had written a copy to me, and I answered in the negative, and another said, also many others, that the effect loses some of its force by your attack on Mr. Spreckles. I think so too. Although your letter has raised quite a flutter in our community. I mean among the "mikaneles," (missionaries).

Yes, it is our sacred duty to do all we can for Wilcox, all that is in our power, and I earnestly believe that he will not be convicted before the Supreme Court and a jury of the country on the charge of "treason," his accomplices as well. The term of Court opens on the 7th of October next, and his case, as well as the others, will be tried before a native Hawaiian jury. "Robert in prison" is now a very popular man among his country people. They have composed songs memorializing him and associates. Copies from an old "Photo." of his, taken in Italy in uniform, is being largely sold by our local photographers and eagerly bought by those who have not seen him, and have termed him in their "meles," that he is their "friend, savior, deliverer, warrior, offspring of Kamehameha, the brave Italian soldier, the foremost Hawaiian in the hearts of the people," and many other like epithets. Boyd, Markham and two others were brought up Wednesday in the Police Court, and waived their examination, and were all committed to the coming term of the Supreme Court, the two first named being charged with treason. The treasoners are all separately confined in apartments in the Police Station. All the wounded are well, including Boyd.

It was a current rumour here soon after the late insurrection that the U. S. S. Adams furnished ammunition to the Government, and it was subsequently verified by Col. V. V. Ashford in a letter published in the "Daily Bulletin," also in the "Weekly Bulletin" of Sept. 3d. a copy of which I have already forwarded to you, wherein it was stated that the Adams furnished 10,000 cartridges. The powers that be, so it is currently said here among influential circles. "I mean the missionary family compact and their allies and accomplices," that it was an assistance asked for and "borrowed" from the Adams by the Hawaiian Government. Such a statement is only a cloud to hide the wishes that lies within the innermost recesses of their traitorous hearts. I think such conduct on the part of a United States Ship-of-war is a breach and a violation of International Law amongst favoured nations, and especially by a Government that ought to have been neutral in the premises on such an

occasion of an internal strife and of a local uprising among the people in vindication of their just rights.

Quite a sensational rumour was afloat about town Wednesday, to the effect that the Ministers were negotiating a Protectorate Treaty with the U. S. Government. A Cabinet Council was held at Iolani Palace the day previous, at which meeting the proposition to the King and the proposed treaty put before him for consideration, and it is said His Majesty was asked to sign it, but he refused and asked further time. In Wednesday evening's "Bulletin" the Minister of Foreign Affairs is reported to have emphatically denied "in toto" as to the truth of such statement, also yesterday morning's "Advertiser," copies of which I forward to you "marked."

It has caused quite a flutter of uneasiness among Hawaiians, also among Britishers, Germans and others of our cosmopolitan community. It is no doubt that it is a true fact, and that it is a Judd-Carter affair, i. e., A. F. Judd and Rev. H. A. P. Carter with his creole wife and some of our Queen Street merchants. On account of this unprecedented excitement a "mass meeting of the people" was called at 7 o'clock, and took place at the Chinese Theatre on King Street, beyond the first Bridge towards Kapalama way. It was a mass meeting of native Hawaiians, called at the instance of Hon. J. E. Bush and others, and at the same time inviting their foreign friends and allies to consider with them this all important question of a "Protectorate." The place was packed to overflowing, the damp weather notwithstanding, by all classes, native Hawaiians in an overwhelming majority, upwards of 1,000, and everything passed off satisfactorily. I mail you this morning's "Advertiser," containing a report of the meeting, although not a very good and full one at that. The meeting was very orderly and the speeches very temperate, and it no doubt voices the sentiment of the entire aboriginal race.

This protectorate affair leaked out a little too soon to suit the wishes of the promoters of this dastardly scheme to squelch us aborigines to the ground and drive us to the wall and in a corner, and and probably be on an equal footing with the American Indians. It was first cast to the wind in Mr. Bush's daily paper of Wednesday morning, "Ka Leo o Ka Lahui-The Voice of the People," and he deserves all the credit of ferreting it out. That, no doubt, took all the wind out of the schemers, and the matter is now in abeyance. Therefore, on top of this, the Ministers are using a little diplomacy in diplomatic tactics to crawl out of it by denying, but we cannot swallow such pills from such as them. Rev. Carter was to return to day by the "Australia" with the documents, duly ratified here, in his pockets, but it got cooked too soon to suit his palate, and therefore he returned without it to resume his easy chair in Washington.

Anti-Chinese is now being agitated here among the white working-men, and is a much vaunted question amongst them, but the natives do not as yet catch on to it. Such an issue will eventually be a failure. At a recent mass meeting by them, resolutions were adopted and a committee sent with it to the Ministers with the intention of calling the Legislature to consider such an issue, and I understand it has not yet been answered by the Ministry.

I also mail you a copy of Mr. Bush's weekly paper "Ka Oiaoi" (The Truth) marked, containing an English article headed, "Past and Present." More "anon."

I remain

Yours Truly,  
F. J. TESTA.

WEST WASHINGTON NOTES.

The musical and literary association held another very interesting meeting on Friday evening at the Ebenezer A. M. E. church. A handsome mahogany Gavel was presented to the association by Mr. A. J. Lenard. The presentation speech was delivered by Mr. A. Harper of Texas. Miss Maggie Magruder read an instructive essay on "Honor." The musical part of the programme, under the leadership of Mr. J. A. Butler, was very entertaining and to those who were present received a rare treat of musical ability. The discussion of the evening was, "Resolved that the constitution of the United

States as at present executed is a failure." Messrs. A. J. Lenard and Chas. F. Mosbey discussed the paper respectfully and showed marked ability as debaters. Letters were read from Miss J. B. Evans and Mr. Wm. Calvin Chase, accepting invitations to address the association at their next meeting.

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